

Annotation

The thesis *French Policy to Institutional Reform of the European Union under the President Chirac* analyses the European policy of France in the period 1995-2005, which means from the beginning of Jacques Chirac's presidency to the rejection of the Treaty establishing a Constitution for Europe by the French in referendum by which the Chirac's European policy in fact ceased to exist. The thesis mainly deals with the approach of France to the reform of institutions of the European Union, particularly with the reform of the European Parliament, European Commission, and Council of the European Union and in case of Treaty of Nice also with the Court of Justice of the European Union. This approach is analysed by the documents from intergovernmental conferences antecedent to the particular treaties regulating the Treaty of Maastricht, which are Treaty of Amsterdam, Treaty of Nice and the Treaty establishing a Constitution for Europe. Each of these intergovernmental conferences is examined in terms of the goals and topics introduced, subsequently discussed and really reached by the French politicians during the conference. Also, it is dealt with the topics about which compromises with other countries had to be made and with the requirements that the French managed to implement into the text of the treaty. The main goal of the thesis is to answer the question of continuity and discontinuity of the French policy in the EU and also which approach predominated in this policy.